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#### **EAZ Manual**

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**Summary** 

## Pregnant Women Assistance

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# Purpose:

<u>WAC 388-400-0055</u> Who is eligible for the pregnant women assistance (PWA) program?

Clarifying Information - WAC 388-400-0055

- 1. Financial Services Specialists and/or WorkFirst Program Specialists are responsible for verifying pregnancy and approving PWA benefits.
- 2. People who are currently ineligible for TANF due to sanction status in WAC 388-310-1600 are not eligible for PWA.
- 3. People who are permanently disqualified from TANF due to three non-compliance sanctions may be eligible for PWA.
- 4.3. People who are currently ineligible for TANF due to the 60-month time limit **and** do not meet Time Limit Extension (TLE) criteria may be eligible for PWA.
- 5.4. If the person does not provide requested pregnancy verification, deny the AU (refer to CSD Procedures Handbook: Finalizing an Application).
- 6.5. When screening PWA, choose the GS program type.
- 7.6. After approving PWA benefits, complete a Social Services Referral (DSHS 14-084).
- <u>8.7.</u>PWA eligibility begins the date all verification is received, including verification of pregnancy, and continues to the end of pregnancy.